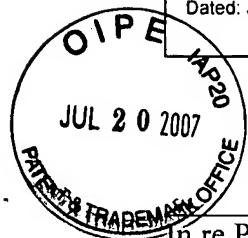


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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time to and including July 22, 2007 to respond to the Office Action mailed January 22, 2007. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 06-2375 in the amount of \$1,020.00 covering the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3).

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